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- 1. On 18 December 1950, two Soviet officers inquired concerning the capacity of the long distance exchanges, and the number of long distance circuits in Eistersdorf.
- 2. On 22 December 1950, the Soviets instructed Vienna postal authorities to prepare a report on the capacity of long distance circuits and the number of cables in Stadlau, Floridsdorf and Favoriten. The order was later extended to cover all centrals in the Soviet Zone. The names of persons in charge of telephone exchanges were also requested.
- 3. On 29 December 1950, the Soviets instructed the same authorities to present all diagrams showing cables and leads in Lower Austria, Burgenland, the Luchlviertel and the Soviet Sector of Vienna.
- 4. On 31 December 1950, the Soviets ordered that preparations be made to transfer a secondary plant at Semmering 127 (sic) at once. At that time instructions for the transfer itself were not issued.
- 5. In early January 1951, Austrian postal authorities were instructed to bring in a telephone line from the Soviet switchboard in St. Poelten to the cemetery in St. Poelten. The Soviets later ordered the line to be continued to Manau. The exact point to which this cable is connected is not known. An order was also given to carry the Korneuburg-Spillern telephone cable as far as Stockerau.
- 6. On 7-8 January 1951, music and a speech were heard alternately over Semmering telephones. This probably was filtering into a telephone circuit from a strong Soviet transmitter which probably was installed in the Semmering area.

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